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Town Meeting 10/13 at Jorge Mas Canosa Center To Discuss Bond Projects on Ballot

(Sweetwater)—Area residents are invited to join community leaders for a special town hall meeting on Wednesday, **October 13**, **2004 at 7 p.m. at the Jorge Mas Canosa Center at 250 SW 114 Avenue**, to discuss significant capital improvement projects for their neighborhoods, as well as <u>eight</u> very important bond questions which will appear on the November General Election Ballot.

This event gives voters a "heads up" at what they can expect to see at the polls come this election. Participants will view the exact ballot language for each of the eight questions and will learn about specific projects within this region of the County. The specific projects address the need for better water, sewer and flood control systems; more parks and recreation facilities; improved bridges, public infrastructure and neighborhoods; new public safety facilities; expanded emergency and healthcare facilities; more housing for the elderly and families; and new cultural, library and multicultural education facilities.

The discussion will cover plans for major improvement projects within District 12, including Sweetwater's City Hall, Youth Center and Dominoes and Carlow Parks; Medley's City Hall; and the construction of the new Hialeah Gardens and Doral Libraries.

This is one of several town hall meetings planned throughout the community to help educate voters about the *2004 Building Better Communities Bond Program*—a \$2.9 billion capital improvement program—aimed at making our community a better place to live, work and play. The County is also working closely with civic and business groups throughout the community to arrange other speaking engagements and will have informational brochures and other collaterals available to help spread the bond program message.

The last time Miami-Dade County brought this kind of program before the electorate was in 1972 with the Decade of Progress Bond Program, which helped to fund much of today's infrastructure, from MetroZoo to regional parks such as Tropical and Tamiami to water and sewer projects.

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